#### **Important National Provider Identifier (NPI) Time Frame Changes**

The Maryland Medicaid Program will not be ready to implement the National Provider Identifier (NPI) requirements by May 23, 2007. Although we have made significant progress, additional time is required to modify and test MMIS to ensure correct and timely payment of claims using the NPI. The Program plans to be fully compliant on July 30, 2007. Failure to follow the directions will result in the Program's inability to process your claims and your inability to receive payment.

### April 16 – July 29<sup>th</sup>

• **Dual-Use Period for Electronic Claims -** Beginning April 16, 2007, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene will implement a dual-use period so that Maryland Medicaid will be consistent with other payers. During this period, providers will use their legacy provider number and their NPI for electronic claim transactions.

Because the program will not be ready to implement NPI by the federally mandated date, providers must continue to use their nine-digit legacy Maryland Medicaid provider number on claims submitted before July 30, 2007. The Program will adjudicate claims using the Maryland Medicaid legacy number. During this period, the Maryland Medicaid legacy number and the NPI will appear on the 835 electronic remittance advice.

• Paper Claims - The Maryland Medicaid Program will not be ready to implement the UB04 and the CMS 1500 health insurance claims forms until we fully implement NPI. Please continue to use the UB 92 and HCFA 1500 on claims submitted before July 30, 2007. You should continue to use your legacy number when completing the UB92 and HCFA 1500. Your claims will be returned if you use the UB04 prior to July 30, 2007.

For dental providers, we are anticipating having the ADA billing form available by July 30, 2007. All providers will receive new billing instructions.

- Electronic Claims Formats All providers must continue to submit the 837I, 837P and/or 837D using our current billing instructions until July 30, 2007. Submitting claims in the UB04/ CMS 1500 format prior to this date will cause your claims to reject and we will be unable to process your claims.
- Reporting your NPI The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is concerned that we
  have not received NPIs from most of our providers. If you have not applied for your NPI,
  please do it now. After you obtain your number with NPPES, please report it to us. We
  have attached a new form to help expedite this process.

#### Effective July 30, 2007

• Effective July 30, 2007, you will use the NPI as the primary identifier when billing Maryland Medicaid.

The NPI Registration and your NPPES confirmation can be faxed or mailed to Maryland Medicaid using the information listed on the opposite side of this form.

# Maryland Medicaid National Provider Identifier (NPI) Registration

Register your National Provider Identifier (NPI) with Maryland Medicaid using this document. This will help ensure timely and accurate claim payment processing. If you are registering more than one NPI, complete this registration for *each* NPI. Include a copy of the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) confirmation notice for each one.

#### **Type 1 Entities**

Practitioner's full name

NPI 10-digit number

Last

NPI Type 1 entities such as physicians, nurses, dentists, psychologists, pharmacists, and physical therapists are considered **individual** health care providers.

First

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Date of birth

9 digit Maryland	Medicaid Legacy Provider Nu	mber associated with this NPI			
Service Location	Address				
City	State		ZIP Code		
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#### ATTENTION: PROVIDERS

If you have not applied for a National Provider Identifier (NPI), immediately apply via the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services website at: www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvidentStand.

When you apply you will need to apply as either a Type 1 or a Type 2 provider.

- Type 1 providers are individual health care providers who are operating independently. Examples are physicians, nurse practitioners, physical therapists, behavioral health providers, etc. All sole proprietors regardless of whether or not they file electronic transactions are required to have an NPI.
- Type 2 providers are health care provider organizations, such as hospitals, clinics, group practices or corporations. All incorporated health practices and/or group practices are eligible for enumeration as Type 2 providers. Additionally, Type 2 organizational providers should also enumerate their individual provider employees as Type 1 providers to distinguish them individually and avoid possible delays in payments.

<u>INDIVIDUAL PROVIDERS</u> - Individual providers will obtain only one NPI. This NPI needs to be linked to the active Maryland Medicaid provider number. Because we can only link the NPI with one Medicaid provider number, it is necessary for us to "collapse" all other Medicaid legacy numbers into one "primary" number. This "primary" number will be your active provider number with the lowest last two digits ("00", "01", "02" etc.). We will associate your NPI with this "primary" number. Please begin using this number when we begin the dual use period, April 16, 2007.

**GROUP Providers** - Group Practice enrollment allows multiple fee-for-service practitioners to bill and be paid under one Group Practice NPI. All individual practitioners in the Group Practice must also be enrolled in the Maryland Medicaid Program and have an individual NPI (Type 1). In addition, the Group Practice must enroll in the Maryland Medicaid Program and have an organization NPI (Type 2).

MEDICARE CROSSOVER - In order for Medicare Crossover claims to be paid on July 30, 2007, NPIs used on claims submitted to Medicare must be enrolled with the Maryland Medicaid Program. Medicare Crossover claims received with NPIs that are not enrolled with Maryland Medicaid will be denied beginning July 30, 2007.

Providers that currently have units, departments, or locations that are enrolled with Medicare, but that are not currently enrolled with Maryland Medicaid, will need to enroll those NPIs with Maryland Medicaid as Medicare providers. Currently, Maryland Medicaid links Medicare Provider Identification (Vendor) Numbers to Medicaid Provider Identification Numbers through a crosswalk in order to process certain Medicare Crossover claims.

Group Practices that are enrolled with Medicare will need to enroll their organization's NPI as a Group Practice with Maryland Medicaid, and their individual practitioners as members of the group. Medicare Crossover claims received for Rendering Providers that are not enrolled with Maryland Medicaid as a member of the Group Practice will be denied.

During the dual use period, you will need to submit your NPI and your Medicaid legacy number. On July 30, 2007, you will only need to submit your NPI.

# If you have already received your NPI, immediately register your NPI with Maryland Medicaid by using the form on the back of this page.

To date, the Program has received NPIs for approximately 16% of our current active providers. We are again requesting providers to send a copy of their NPI letter to the Maryland Medicaid Program as soon as possible so that the NPI number can be linked to the Maryland Medicaid legacy number. Failure to do so will result in loss of payment beginning July 30, 2007.

#### To register, please provide us with:

- a completed registration form and
- a copy of the document form you have received from the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) that includes your NPI

#### You can:

- Mail both items to Provider Enrollment, P.O. Box 17030, Baltimore, MD 21203 or
- Fax both items to Provider Enrollment at (410) 333-5341 or
- Use an electronic registration process if you are a provider with multiple NPIs. When you have multiple NPIs, email a request to use this process to NPIMedicaid@dhmh.state.md.us.

For additional NPI information, please visit our website at www.dhmh.state.md.us.

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Practitioner's full name

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9 digit Maryland M	Iedicaid Legacy Provider Num	ber associated with this	s NPI		
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City	State			ZIP Code	
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9-digit Maryland M	Medicaid Legacy Provider Num	nber associated with this	s NPI		
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